

<p style="text-align: center;">REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Address to: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231</p>	Application Number	09/943683
	Filing Date	30-Aug-2001
	First Named Inventor	Hideaki Watanabe
	Art Unit	2134
	Examiner Name	J. E. Elmore
	Attorney Docket No.	09792909-5124

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
i. ☒ Consider the AMENDMENT "C" under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on **December 7, 2005**

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
iii. ☐ Other _____
b. ☐ Enclosed
i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(l) required)
b. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any discrepancies, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. **19-3140**
i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
iii. ☐ Other
b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee of \$790.00 (the basic RCE filing fee) and the two-month extension fee of \$ 450.00 to American Express credit card. Form 2038 is attached for that purpose, if needed. **Applicant(s) hereby petition for any extension of time needed to ensure that this submission is timely filed.**

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

14. ☒ Customer No. 26263

Dated: February 14, 2006

/s/

David R. Metzger (Registration No. 32,919)